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U.S. Application of:

Sumiyo TANAKA

For:

IMAGE SEARCHING SYSTEM, IMAGE  
SEARCHING METHOD AND RECORDING  
MEDIUM STORING AN IMAGE SEARCHING  
PROGRAM

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Dear Sir:

**PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the Office Action, dated February 12, 2002, be extended for three (3) months to August 12, 2002.

A Request for Filing Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) is filed concurrently herewith.

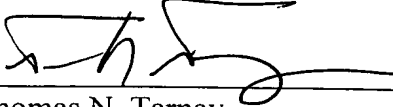
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A duplicate copy of this Petition is submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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